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For	MASKS FOR USE IN OPTICAL LITHOGRAPHY BELOW 180 NM)
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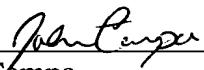
U.S. Patent No. 5,338,647 ("Nakagawa '647"); and
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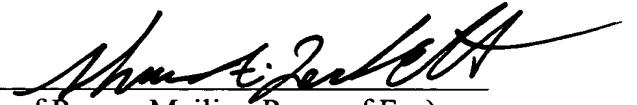
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